An inclusive and iterative planning process will lead to better success. New Jersey Future’s aging-friendly planning implementation approach is based on the following process.

1. Assess the age-friendliness of the community. This would produce recommendations like those in the aging-friendly land use assessment reports.
2. Prioritize those recommendations based on:
3. Need—Community input is essential.
4. Resources—Municipal input is essential.
5. Impact—How will different segments of the community benefit? What are potential negative effects?
6. Public engagement—Host a public information meeting that aims to describe age-friendly communities, the assessment report findings/recommendations and prioritized strategies; and solicit input from the public.
7. Identify action steps and elements—This will yield a draft implementation plan developed by the work of a project committee.
8. Review & feedback—Revise the draft implementation plan. Collaborators include:
   9. Project committee
10. Municipal staff and decision makers
11. Consultants
   12. Public engagement—Host a public information meeting, soliciting a diverse stakeholder group, to describe the implementation strategy.
13. Develop the implementation plan—Compile the action steps and elements into a plan document.
14. Implement—Follow through on actions outlined in the plan
15. Monitor & measure—This is done to assess effectiveness and efficiency, determine when or how to modify priorities or the action plan based on data and provides metrics and milestones to help keep the public informed along the way.

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